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VENEZUELA.

Smallpox at Puerto Cabello—(Continued).

CONSULATE OF THE UNITED STATES,

Puerto Cabello, April 28, 1898.

SIR: I beg to report that within the past six days, smallpox cases have increased to an alarming extent. There are 45 cases under treatment at present, while 15 deaths have occurred since March 23.

My dispatch No. 49 of April 18 indicated an abatement of the disease, but a few days subsequently it seemed to gather new vigor, notwithstanding the fact that the authorities built a smallpox hospital and isolated all cases, in addition to thoroughly disinfecting the city, among other methods adopted being the burning of tar, night and day, throughout the town.

Strict quarantine of eighteen days is still enforced and no vessel is permitted to leave here within that time for any part of the coast of Venezuela.

I trust I can soon report an improvement.

I am, sir, your obedient servant, SAMUEL PROSKAUER,
United States Consul.

HON. ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE.

STATISTICAL REPORTS.

AUSTRALIA—*Sydney*.—Month of March, 1898. Estimated population, 410,300. Total deaths, 436, including enteric fever, 9; scarlet fever, 5, and diphtheria, 7.

BAHAMAS—*Dunmore Town*.—Two weeks ended May 6, 1898. Estimated population, 1,472. One death. No death from contagious disease.

Governors Harbor.—Two weeks ended May 7, 1898. Estimated population, 1,500. No deaths.

Green Turtle Cay—Abaco.—Two weeks ended May 5, 1898. Estimated population, 3,900. No deaths.

GREAT BRITAIN—*England and Wales*.—The deaths registered in 33 great towns in England and Wales during the week ended May 14 correspond to an annual rate of 16.6 a thousand of the aggregate population, which is estimated at 11,218,378. The highest rate was recorded in Liverpool, viz, 22.6, and the lowest in Brighton, viz, 10.2.

London.—One thousand three hundred and fifty-six deaths were registered during the week, including measles, 76; scarlet fever, 11; diphtheria, 20; whooping cough, 48; enteric fever, 7, and diarrhea and dysentery, 18. The deaths from all causes correspond to an annual rate of 15.7 a thousand. In greater London 1,713 deaths were registered, corresponding to an annual rate of 13.9 a thousand of the population. In the "outer ring" the deaths included 13 from measles, 10 from diphtheria, 2 from scarlet fever, and 13 from whooping cough.

Ireland.—The average annual death rate represented by the deaths registered during the week ended May 14 in the 23 principal town

districts of Ireland was 22.4 a thousand of the population. The lowest rate was recorded in Drogheda, viz, 7.6, and the highest in Armagh viz, 49.9 a thousand. In Dublin and suburbs 151 deaths were registered, including enteric fever, 2; whooping cough, 3; diphtheria, 1, and scarlet fever, 1.

Scotland.—The deaths registered in 8 principal towns during the week ended May 14 correspond to an annual rate of 19.8 a thousand of the population, which is estimated at 1,568,536. The lowest mortality was recorded in Perth, viz, 10.2, and the highest in Glasgow, viz, 23.3 a thousand. The aggregate number of deaths registered from all causes was 596, including measles, 32; scarlet fever, 4; diphtheria, 3, and whooping cough, 26.

MORTALITY TABLE, FOREIGN CITIES.

Cities.	Week ended.	Estimated population.	Total deaths from all causes.	Deaths from—							
				Cholera.	Yellow fever.	Smallpox.	Typhus fever.	Enteric fever.	Scarlet fever.	Diphtheria.	Whooping cough.
Aix la Chapelle.....	Apr. 30.....	127,667	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Amherstburg.....	May 21.....	2,300	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Amsterdam.....	May 14.....	506,277	146	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1
Antwerp.....	May 7.....	282,872	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	1	2
Barranquilla.....	May 8.....	40,000	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Belfast.....	May 14.....	304,610	139	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	1	2	1
Belize.....	May 21.....	13,000	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Belleville.....	May 23.....	10,399	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Berlin.....	Apr. 23.....	1,728,201	481	.....	.....	.....	1	3	10	6	.....
Birmingham.....	May 14.....	505,772	160	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	4	9
Bombay.....	Apr. 26.....	700,000	a 1,116	.....	.....	3	.....	2	.....	10	.....
Do.....	May 3.....	700,000	b 872	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	5	.....
Bordeaux.....	Feb. 5.....	260,000	120	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	1
Do.....	Feb. 12.....	260,000	141	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
Do.....	Feb. 19.....	260,000	139	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	2	1
Do.....	Feb. 26.....	260,000	117	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	3	1
Do.....	Mar. 5.....	260,000	139	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	4	2
Do.....	Mar. 12.....	260,000	147	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	6	1
Do.....	Mar. 19.....	260,000	123	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	3
Do.....	Mar. 26.....	260,000	124	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	1	1
Do.....	Apr. 2.....	260,000	133	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	4
Do.....	Apr. 9.....	260,000	113	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	5	.....
Do.....	Apr. 16.....	260,000	125	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Do.....	Apr. 23.....	260,000	106	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	2	.....	2
Do.....	Apr. 30.....	260,000	102	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	2
Bradford.....	May 14.....	231,260	74	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	2
Bremen.....	Apr. 30.....	143,500	52	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bristol.....	May 14.....	316,900	72	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	4
Brussels.....	May 7.....	531,024	169	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	2
Calcutta.....	Apr. 23.....	681,560	409	42	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Do.....	Apr. 16.....	681,560	363	24	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
Cardiff.....	May 14.....	177,770	41	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
Catania.....	May 12.....	120,000	55	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....
Chemnitz.....	Apr. 23.....	163,000	71	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Do.....	Apr. 30.....	163,000	71	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Christiania.....	May 7.....	207,000	77	.....	.....	.....	1	1	1	.....	.....
Cologne.....	Apr. 30.....	343,999	151	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	4
Colombo.....	Apr. 16.....	130,000	92	.....	1	.....	6	.....	.....	1	.....
Do.....	Apr. 24.....	130,000	84	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	4	2
Copenhagen.....	May 7.....	351,000	131	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	7
Dresden.....	Apr. 23.....	380,000	138	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	3
Dublin.....	May 14.....	350,000	151	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....
Dundee.....	do.....	164,575	62	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	1	3
Flushing.....	do.....	17,193	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Frankfort on the Main.....	do.....	245,000	87	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Funchal.....	May 8.....	35,665	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ghent.....	May 14.....	161,125	70	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Gibraltar.....	May 8.....	25,900	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Girgenti.....	May 7.....	24,428	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

a Four hundred and forty-two deaths from plague.

b Two hundred and sixty-three deaths from plague.